

**REMARKS:**

Claims 1-19, 32-41, 43-48, 61-86, 99-124, and 137-162 have been cancelled herein.  
Claims 20-31, 42, 49-60, 87-98, and 125-136 are pending in the above-identified application.

The specification has been amended to identify parent application Serial No. 09/711,651 and to include a claim of priority.

A copy of the original Declaration and Power of Attorney is submitted herewith pursuant to M.P.E.P. 201.06(c).

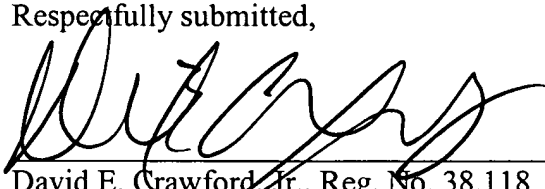
Applicant requests prompt and favorable consideration by the Examiner of the now pending application.

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